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1. SUMMARY. GOU, CONVINCED THAT U.S. DESIRES TO IMPROVE RELATIONS WITH LATIN AMERICA, IS BEGINNING TO SHIFT ITS CONCERN TO COMMITMENT OF LARGER LATIN AMERICAN REPUBLICS TO AN EQUITABLE INTER-AMERICAN SYSTEM IN WHICH SMALLER COUNTRIES WILL HAVE A MEANINGFUL VOICE. URUGUAYAN DELEGATION DOES NOT EXPECT MAJOR SPECIFIC AGREEMENTS AT WASHINGTON OR ATLANTA, BUT IT DOES HOPE THAT U.S.G. WILL LEND ITS SUPPORT TO PROGRESS TOWARD THE STRENGTHENING OF TECHNICAL COUNCILS IN WHICH THE SMALLER LATIN COUNTRIES WILL HAVE AN INCREASED VOICE. END SUMMARY.

2. JOSE MARIA ARANEO, MEMBER OF URUGUAYAN DELEGATION TO MEXICO MFM AND PROBABLY DELEGATE TO WASHINGTON AND ATLANTA CONFERENCES, MADE FOLLOWING COMMENTS TO EMBOFF ON MARCH 14:

A. MEXICO MFM. ARANEO STATED THAT MEXICO MFM WAS HIGHLY POSITIVE, "SURPASSING" EXPECTATIONS OF URUGUAYAN DELEGATION. CRITICISM OF MEXICO MEETING AS SHORT ON SPECIFIC

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AGREEMENTS FAILS, IN GOU VIEW, TO UNDERSTAND THE MEET-

ING'S GREAT PSYCHOLOGICAL IMPACT. GOU IS NOW CONVINCED THAT SECRETARY IS COMMITTED TO A STRONG INTER-AMERICAN SYSTEM, AND IT BELIEVES THAT THE U.S. MAINTAINS A VITAL SECURITY INTEREST IN THE REGION AND IS PREPARED TO CONTINUE IMPORTANT TRANSFERS OF ECONOMIC AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE TO THE REGION.

B. WASHINGTON MFM. ARANEO STATED THAT GOU DELEGATION WOULD NOT EXPECT CONCRETE PROPOSALS TO EMERGE FROM THE WASHINGTON MFM. RATHER, AS AT MEXICO, URUGUAY'S HOPE IS THAT WASHINGTON MEETING WILL CONTRIBUTE TO FURTHER REINFORCING THE EMERGING SENSE OF INTER-AMERICAN COMMON INTEREST AND PAVE THE WAY FOR PROGRESS AT ATLANTA.

C. ATLANTA OAS GENERAL ASSEMBLY. GOU HOPES ASSEMBLY WILL GIVE HIGH LEVEL POLITICAL SUPPORT TO WORK OF OAS SPECIAW COMMITTEE AND ENCOURAGE EARLY REFORMS OF THE RIO TREATY AND TECHNICAL COUNCILS.

D. RIO TREATY. ARANEO FELT THAT PROGRESS ON RIO TREATY REFORM HAS ADVANCED IN HIGHLY SATISFACTORY MANNER. ALL OAS COUNTRIES, INCLUDING PERU, NOW APPEAR COMMITTED TO THE MAINTENANCE OF AN INTER-AMERICAN SECURITY ARRANGEMENT AND THIS SHOULD FACILITATE RESOLUTION OF REMAINING ISSUES. HE NOTED THAT A URUGUAYAN CONCERN IS LIMITING THE TREATY'S JURISDICTION TO EVENTS WITHIN THIS HEMISPHERE (EXCLUDING, FOR EXAMPLE, AN ATTACK ON A U.S. SHIP IN ASIAN WATERS) AND HE CONFIRMED GOU INTEREST IN TERMINATING TREATY SANCTIONS WHICH NO LONGER HAVE MAJOR SUPPORT (REFTEL A). ON VOTING PROCEDURES, EMBOFF INQUIRED HOW GOU'S POSITION SQUARED WITH ITS PUBLICLY STATED INTEREST (MOST RECENTLY EXPRESSED BY PRESIDENT BORDABERRY AT MID-MARCH PRESS INTERVIEW) IN EXCLUDING CUBA FROM THE INTER-AMERICAN SYSTEM. ARANEO REPLIED THAT WHILE THERE MIGHT BE SOME OPPOSITION IN GOU TO REVISING VOTING PROCEDURES, GOU POSITION HAD BEEN CLEARED WITH ARMED FORCES COMMANDERS-IN-CHIEF. GOU VIEW IS THAT WITHOUT MAJORITY SUPPORT, SANCTIONS HAVE BEEN GROSSLY IGNORED TO DETRIMENT OF INTER-AMERICAN LEGAL SYSTEM.

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E. TECHNICAL COUNCILS. ARANEO STATED THAT A MAJOR GOU CONCERN AT WASHINGTON AND ATLANTA MEETINGS WILL BE THE ATTITUDE OF FELLOW LATIN AMERICAN COUNTRIES. URUGUAY FEARS THAT DESPITE LIP SERVICE TO AN INTER-AMERICAN SYSTEM, THE MAJOR LATIN POWERS STILL PREFER THAT SIGNIFICANT U.S. DECISIONS AFFECTING THE REGION BE MADE ON A BILATERAL LEVEL. COUNTRIES LIKE ARGENTINA AND BRAZIL ARE THUS LIKELY TO OPPOSE THE STRENGTHENING OF THE TECH-

NICAL COUNCILS. WHILE GOU VIEW ON TECHNICAL COUNCILS IS STILL DEVELOPING, GENERAL URUGUAYAN HOPE IS FOR SIMPLIFIED AND LESS BUREAUCRATIC COUNCILS IN WHICH ALL OAS MEMBERS CAN MORE EFFICIENTLY PARTICIPATE (SIMILAR TO LA CONSENSUS POSITION REPORTED REFS B AND C). BEYOND THIS, HOWEVER, GOU IS ALSO FAVORABLY CONTEMPLATING PERUVIAN-TYPE PROPOSAL FTR "DEVELOPMENT" COUNCIL WHICH WOULD HAVE MEANINGFUL AUTHORITY OVER THE FLOW AND DISTRIBUTION OF ECONOMIC, CULTURAL AND SCIENTIFIC ASSISTANCE. ARANEO ALSO NOTED THAT SUCH A "DEVELOPMENT" COUNCIL MIGHT BE APPROPRIATE ORGAN FOR MONITORING AND PREVENTING "ECONOMIC AGGRESSION". GOU HOPES THAT THE U.S. WILL CHAMPION THE POINT OF VIEW OF THE SMALLER LATIN AMERICAN COUNTRIES IN OVERCOMING THE RESERVATIONS OF THE LARGER LA POWERS.

3. COMMENT: ARANEO'S SHIFT OF CONCERN FROM THE U.S. TO MAJOR LATIN POWERS IS AN INDICATION OF THE SECRETARY'S SUCCESS IN REASSURING THE GOU THAT THE U.S. REALLY CARES. ARANEO'S REASONABLE EXPECTATIONS FOR WASHINGTON AND ATLANTA EVIDENCE THAT URUGUAYAN DELEGATION WILL REMAIN A MODERATE VOICE AT THESE MEETINGS. BUT ARANEO'S HOPE FOR A NEW, STRENGTHENED "DEVELOPMENT" COUNCIL ALSO INDICATION OF HIGH LEVEL OF EXPECTATION AROUSED BY SPIRIT OF TLATELOLCO, AN EXPECTATION WHICH IF UNFULFILLED COULD GIVE RISE TO RENEWED FRUSTRATIONS WITH THE INTER-AMERICAN SYSTEM.  
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